



#334569

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:)
Gary L. Hopkins, Sr.) Before the Examiner
Serial No. 10/825,276) Examiner Brian Hearn
Filed April 15, 2004) Group Art Unit 1761
SELF-VENTING MICROWAVE)
COOKING CONTAINER FOR USE WITH)
A VERTICAL FILL AUTOMATED)
MACHINE) March 9, 2005

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure embodied in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 1.98, Applicant discloses the following references on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form. This information has not been previously submitted in this application by the applicant.

The filing of this information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(b) or that any information cited is prior art to the present invention.

This Statement is being submitted before the mailing of a First Office Action on the merits, therefore no fees are believed due for consideration of the enclosed



references. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted

By: John V. Moriarty

John V. Moriarty

Reg. No. 26,207

Woodard, Emhardt, Moriarty

McNett & Henry LLP

Bank One Center/Tower

111 Monument Circle, Suite 3700

Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5137

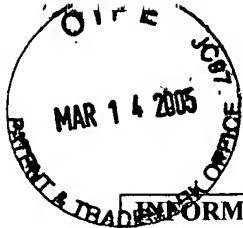
(317) 634-3456

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 9, 2005.

John V. Moriarty
Name of Registered Representative

John V. Moriarty
Signature

9 March 05
Date of Signature



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION
(Use several sheets if necessary)

Sheet 1 of 1

Atty. Docket No.
5732-27

Serial No.
10/825,276

Applicant
Gary L. Hopkins, Sr.

Filing Date
April 15, 2005

Group
1761

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*Examiner Initial		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Filing Date If appropriate
	1	D420,584	2/15/00	Hopkins			
	2	6,187,354	2/13/01	Hopkins			
	3	6,309,684	10/30/01	Hopkins			
	4	D433,592	11/14/00	Hopkins			
	5	D475,571	6/10/03	Hopkins			
	6	6,847,022	1/25/05	Hopkins			
	7	6,559,431	5/6/03	Hopkins			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

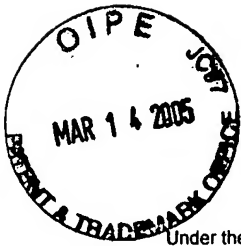
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
							Yes	No

Examiner

Date Considered

*Examiner: initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

#334573



334576 WEMHH/SB/21 (6/04)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB number.

TRANSMITTAL FORM (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	10/825,276
	Filing Date	April 15, 2004
	First Named Inventor	Gary L. Hopkins, Sr.
	Art Unit	1761
	Examiner Name	Brian Hearn
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	Attorney Docket Number	5732-27

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawings <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance communication to Group <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): X PTO Form 1449
Remarks <input type="text"/>		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or individual name	John V. Moriarty Woodard, Emhardt, Moriarty, McNett & Henry LLP
Signature	<i>John V. Moriarty</i>
Date	9 March 05

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below	
Typed or printed name	John V. Moriarty
Signature	<i>John V. Moriarty</i>
Date	9 March 05

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.